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AMENDMENT

This Amendment is submitted in response to a non-final first office action in the above case dated September 27, 2007 ("Office Action") in which the Examiner rejected all the claims as anticipated (35 U.S.C. §102(e)) over cited art. On December 18, 2007, the attorney for the Applicants and the Examiner held a phone interview discussing amendments to the claims. Applicants amended the claims as discussed and submit that all pending claims 1-45 are patentable over the cited art and in condition for allowance for the reasons discussed herein.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2. Remarks/Arguments begin on page 14.